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MEMO NO. 184

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : Request for Evaluation of Research

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1. The attached query on evaluation of research on Communist Chinese Agriculture by [REDACTED] has been prepared by our Agriculture Branch.

2. We would appreciate any information you can provide in response to this request.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

*Partial response rec'd memo of 8 June 1967*

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(2) Provincial acreage and production of cotton.

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Remarks:

SA/RR : Attached as the background information and query for DDI [redacted] which [redacted] discussed with you yesterday. [redacted] STATINTL

Do as memo to [redacted] [redacted] STATINTL

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant/ORR

THROUGH : Chief, Economic Research Area

THROUGH : Acting Chief, Resources and Industries Division

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Please pass the attached query to the

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Please contact

extension 7107,

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Room 4 G 48 if you have any questions or comments regarding this  
dispatch.

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Chief, Agriculture Branch

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